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O/DPI Staff on International Communism
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MEMORANDUM FOR

SUBJECT : Intelligence Coverage of International Communism

REFERENCES: a. Draft Staff Study dated 29 March, as amended by OCI "blue sheets".

b. Our conversation of 12 May.

1. The Board discussed this matter today, mainly from the viewpoint of what are the O/NE requirements in this field. We purposely did not discuss organizational matters, though we do have some ideas on how and where a unit following international communism should be set up.

2. We believe that a separate group following the Communist movement on an international basis could make a unique contribution to estimates. The group should be a research group and, among other things, study:

- a. The chains of command and channels of communications of the international Communist movement;
- b. The amounts of funds transmitted and the methods of transmission;
- c. The movements of Communist personalities; and,
- d. The differences of emphasis and policy in various parts of the world.

3. This Office would be glad to comment on any subsequent draft. Meanwhile, you may wish to include the above requirements in with those of other offices.

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